

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/FI 03/00255

Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 35
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
2. ☒ Claims Nos.: 1-35
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International Application, as follows:

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

Continuation of Box I.1

Claims Nos.: 35

Claim 35 relates to a method of treatment of the human or animal body by surgery or by therapy/a diagnostic method practised on the human or animal body Rule 39.1(iv). Nevertheless, a search has been executed for this claim. The search has been based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

Continuation of Box I.2

Claims Nos.: 1-35

The expressions "diseases or conditions where antagonists of alpha-2-adrenoreceptors are indicated to be useful" in claims 1-10, "disorder of the central nervous system" and "lipolytic disorders" in claim 11, "movement disorder" in claim 12, "for use as a selective alpha-2C antagonist" in claim 13 and "mental disorders propagated by stress" in claim 14 may relate to a large number of different disorders and conditions which cannot be clearly defined by these expressions. The claims are in violation with the requirements of Article 6 PCT that claims shall be clear and concise. The search has therefore been limited to the other, more clearly defined, diseases and groups of diseases mentioned in the present claims 11-12 and 14.

The initial phase of the search revealed a very large number of documents relevant to the issue of novelty. So many documents were retrieved that it is impossible to determine which parts of the claims may be said to define subject-matter for which protection might legitimately be sought (Article 6 PCT). For these reasons, a meaningful search over the whole breadth of the claims is impossible. Consequently, the search has been restricted to:

claims 1-15 related to the compounds of claims 15-32,
claims 16, 18-20, 22, 24-29 and 31-32,
claim 30 for $Z = -\text{CHR}_8-(\text{CH}_2)_n-$ and
claims 33-34 related to the compounds of claims 16, 18-20, 22, 24-29,
31-32 and claim 30 for $Z = -\text{CHR}_8-(\text{CH}_2)_n-$.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims, or parts of claims, relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure.

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C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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X	<p>--- DATABASE STN INTERNATIONAL [Online] File CAPLUS, CAPLUS accession no. 1981:533210, Document no. 95:133210 ; BOELSING, EKKEHARD ET AL: "Reactions of indole derivatives. XLVI. Stereoselective route to isoeburnamonine" XP002245427 & Chemische Berichte (1981), 114(5), 1932-7, Compounds satisfying formula IC abstract</p>	26,27,30
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X	<p>--- DATABASE STN INTERNATIONAL [Online] File HCAPLUS, HCAPLUS accession no. 2001:855109, Document no. 137:88229; ABDEL-ZAHER, AHMED O. ET AL: "The potential antidiabetic activity of some alpha-2 adrenoceptor antagonists " XP002245429 & Pharmacological Research (2001), 44(5), 397-409 abstract</p> <p>--- -/--</p>	1-6, 11-14, 23,24, 33-35

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EPO-Internal, CHEM ABS Data, WPI Data

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X	US 4 686 226 A (HUFF JOEL R ET AL) 11 August 1987 (1987-08-11) column 1, line 7 - line 58 column 2, line 27 - line 35; examples Alfa2-adrenergic antagonists with use as antidepressives and antidiabetics and satisfying claims 1,9 and 10-14 ---	1-35
X	EP 0 213 793 A (WYETH JOHN & BROTHER LTD) 11 March 1987 (1987-03-11) abstract; examples column 9, line 23 - line 30; claims Analogous alfa2-adrenergic antagonists with use as, e.g., antidepressives and antidiabetics --- -/--	1-35

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X	US 3 492 303 A (MORRISON GLENN CURTIS ET AL) 27 January 1970 (1970-01-27) column 1, line 24 -column 2, line 20 column 5 -column 9; examples 3-12 Compounds satisfying claims 1-3, 5 and 11-14, for use as central nervous system depressants	1-7, 11-14, 23-35
X	EP 0 130 823 A (RICHTER GEDEON VEGYESZET) 9 January 1985 (1985-01-09) Compounds satisfying formula IC in claim 26, with pharmacological properties -/--	26,27, 30,33,34

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X	GUAY AT ET AL: "Yohimbine treatment of organic erectile dysfunction in a dose-escalation trial." INT J IMPOT RES., vol. 14, no. 1, February 2002 (2002-02), pages 25-31, XP002245425 the whole document	1-6, 11-14, 23,24, 33-35

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